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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s):	Naoko Horikoshi	Confirmation No.:	3674
Serial No.:	10/584,393	Group Art Unit:	1645
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For:	METHOD OF MULTIPLEX MICROORGANISM DETECTION		

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated March 26, 2009 in which claims 1-18 were subjected to restriction. The applicant provisionally elects to prosecute Species I (*i.e.*, Listeria monocytogenes) and primers disclosed in SEQ ID NOS: 5 and 6. As is set forth in detail below, this election is made with traverse. Entry and consideration of this response are respectfully requested.

Under 37 C.F.R. §1.7(a) when the last day to take action falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or Federal holiday within the District of Columbia, the action may be taken on the next succeeding business day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or Federal holiday, *i.e.*, April 27, 2009 without additional extension fees.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.